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IRRIGON COMMUNITY ROW AIRED IN COURT

Not since the old days when the Irrigon community was new and Addison Bennett published the Irrigon Oregon Irrigator and writ the Rabbittville correspondence for his own paper, has that little community been more in the limelight than during the present week, when a goodly portion of its inhabitants were in Justice Cornett's court in Heppner seeking to have each other put under bonds to keep the peace. It was a case of airing the community skeleton, and the end is not yet.

The proceedings involved, or brought out many matters, alleged and otherwise, more or less discreditable if true, and the net result so far was to put two men under bonds to keep the peace and another bound over to the grand jury on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Nestor Seaman, O.-W. R. & N. agent at Irrigon, chairman of the local Council of Defense, deputy sheriff, who was born in Russia 39 years ago, was the complaining witness asking to have J. B. Strader and his three sons put under bonds to keep the peace.

The Straders, it seems, moved into the community last winter and, according to their story, had some words with Mr. Seaman over a freight bill. Since that time, they claim, Seaman has been "after" them and has charged them with being disloyal, I. W. Ws., pro-Germans, etc. It was also brought out in the evidence that Seaman publicly advised raising a body of armed men and running the Strader family out of town.

On the other hand the Straders assert their true blue Americanism and loyalty and charge that Seaman, during the first Red Cross drive refused to contribute and used some pretty strong language against the Red Cross and other war activities.

After a long afternoon session the trial of J. B. Strader was concluded, it having been stipulated that the evidence in his case would also cover the cases of his two younger sons, the result being that the two boys were discharged and the old man was placed under \$500 bond to keep the peace. In the evening Gordon Strader, the older son, and a busy looking man by the way, was put under similar bonds but later, with the consent of the prosecuting attorney, the bonds were reduced to \$150 each.

Later the Straders swore out a complaint against Seaman, charging him with an assault on the person of Milton Strader with a dangerous weapon. Milton, it is said, felt that he had a grievance against Seaman and one day went in the depot and invited Seaman outside to fight when Seaman, so it is alleged, drew a revolver and took a shot at him. Mr. Seaman was there fore put under bonds for his appearance before the grand jury on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the assistance rendered us when we lost our home and all of its contents by fire last week. While the loss was heavy we feel a measure of compensation in this voluntary expression of neighborly helpfulness. Truly it is good to live in Heppner and to have as neighbors and friends her warm-hearted, kindly disposed citizens. Shelly Baldwin and Family.

Eighteen Men Called to the Service

County Clerk Waters has notified eighteen men under the first call for the new draft to respond on the evening of June 28d to be ready to start for the training camp on the morning of the 24th. The men notified are:

George Thomas Cook, T. L. Stancliff, Frank McCorton, William H. Chapel, Wm. O'Rourke, Floyd Baker Cobb, Heppner; Wm. Hayes, Homer C. Frauk, Alfred E. Feller, Ione; Thos. Ingram, Hardman, LeRoy Yardley, Lexington, Wm. H. Parker, Hood River; Robert C. Johnson, Conway, Mo.; Geo. H. Clark, Newberg, John L. Backlund, Washburn, Wis.; Herman Rietz, Hancock, Minn.; Stanford B. Blaine, The Dalles; Hugh M. Kessler, Pendleton; Wm. E. E. McGill, Mishawaka, Ind.

Red Cross Delegates Make Report

At the regular meeting of the Red Cross Executive committee Tuesday evening an extended report from Mrs. L. G. Herren and Mrs. S. W. Spencer, delegates to the R. C. conference at Seattle was read. The report was full of interest and gave the members of the committee a clear conception of the important work accomplished by the conference. Many prominent workers were present to take part in the work of the various sessions and new methods for carrying on the work more effectively were discussed and given to the delegates for the guidance of their home chapters.

Lack of space alone forbids the Herald publishing the report in full.

Heppner Boys in New York

In a letter to some of the home folks Joe Pickett and Harry Groshens send their regards to all Heppner friends and say they are enjoying life in New York city, where the weather is now very fine. The boys enlisted in the navy more than a year ago and for some time were on the U. S. S. San Diego, and have made many trips across the Atlantic.

Elks Will Observe Flag Day

Heppner Lodge, B. P. O. E., will observe Flag Day, Friday, June 14, with appropriate ceremonies in their lodge room in the I. O. O. F. Building.

Sam E. Van Vactor will deliver the principal address of the evening, Francis A. McMenamin will give the Tribute to the Flag, Oscar Borg will read the History of the Flag, and Miss Kathryn Pattison will recite the American Flag. Special musical features are also being observed.

The exercises will commence at 8 p. m. and the general public is cordially invited.

Notice to Library Patrons

All persons having books belonging to the Heppner Library Association are requested to return same to Mrs. A. L. Ayers at her residence on Chase street. All the association has left since the fire is the books now in circulation and we want to get a check on what is left as the first step toward restocking the library and again getting it in shape to serve the needs of the Heppner public.

Mrs. Sam E. Van Vactor,
President.

WANTED—At once, woman to cook and do general housework on ranch for family of two. \$1 per day, board and room. Phone 22F11.

LIEUTENANT M'DONALD, LOAN DRIVE AID, DEAD

Lieut. Alexander G. MacDonald, of the 16th Battalion, Canadian Scottish troops, who was in Morrow county in April assisting in the Liberty Loan campaign, died a few days ago in a hospital in Vancouver, B. C., where he had undergone an operation on his right knee which was injured on an European battlefield. Infection set in in the wound, which was followed by an acute attack of pneumonia, to which he succumbed.

Lieut. McDonald was twice seriously wounded in the service and it was with the hope that an operation might restore him sufficiently that he might return to the conflict for the third time that he entered the hospital almost a month ago.

While in Morrow county the lieutenant made a speaking tour of the county in the interest of the Third Liberty Loan, and his charming personality and unassuming manner endeared him to all of the Liberty workers with whom he came in close contact. His first address here was at Pine City, and not being accustomed to public speaking and being naturally of a modest and retiring disposition his nervousness was apparent but every word he spoke had the ring of absolute truth and sincerity. In conversation with the writer the following day the lieutenant spoke of his diffidence and showed blisters on his hands caused by clasping them and rubbing the palms together while speaking.

A letter from his father, Chas. MacDonald, of Vancouver, to Robert E. Smith, chairman of the third Liberty drive in Oregon, says: "My son was delighted with the trip to your beautiful state. He was in love with Oregon and its people and found a new viewpoint of his American cousins. He was never tired of singing their praises. His mother, myself and his sisters are buoyed up by the universal sympathy that has been extended toward us and the fact that Alex did his fair share in the great war."

Red Cross Notes

Morrow County chapter wishes to thank the Heppner high school for the donation of \$55.35, a part of the receipts of the senior play.

Thanks of the Chapter are extended to Messrs H. Duncan, J. Van't Hof and J. L. Wilkins for the splendid entertainment arranged and carried out last Thursday evening at the Palace hotel in honor of those who left Friday morning for the training camps. The use of the hotel, donated by Mr. Wilkins was very much appreciated. Thanks are also extended to speakers, singers, musicians and all others who contributed to the success of the affair.

Those who have not paid their plant money (geranium sale) can leave same at the Phelps Grocery Co. or send by mail to Mrs. A. M. Phelps.

Mrs. A. E. May is here from Goldfield, Nevada, having been called here by the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Quackenbush, who has been suffering from an attack of nervous prostration for the past two or three weeks. Mrs. Wm. Ayers is another daughter of Mrs. May, and she is now staying at the Ayer home where Mrs. Quackenbush is also being cared for.

HEPPNER SCHOOL TEACHERS CHOSEN

Prof. B. W. Boitnott, recently chosen as superintendent of the Heppner schools, came over from Prairie City Monday en route to Eugene, where he expects to attend summer classes, lectures, etc., during the vacation period. He was accompanied by Mrs. Boitnott and their little daughter and they are driving to Eugene in their auto.

Besides the Superintendent the following high school and grade teachers have been elected:

High School—May Hewes, Miss Struck, Ida Johnson, Miss Thiel. Grades—Meta Douglas, Mable Noyes, Mrs. Watkins, Mamie Harper, Mildred Cox, Ruth Chereon, Gertrude Nash.

Misses Struck, Thiel, Noyes, Harper, Cox, Chereon and Mrs. Watkins were re-elected, having been with the school during the past year.

No teacher of Music has yet been employed and it seems impossible to secure a competent teacher for the manual training department.

Early Morning Wedding

The marriage of Miss Edith May Reaney and Mr. Earl Glenwood Miller, both well known and popular young people of the Lexington country, was solemnized at 6 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, June 5, 1918, at the Federated church parsonage in this city. Rev. H. A. Noyes, officiating.

Following the ceremony the happy young couple left for Portland and other western points, where they will spend a few weeks' honeymoon.

Cards are now out for a wedding reception and banquet to be given at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Reaney, near Lexington, Wednesday evening, June 26.

The bride is one of Morrow county's most charming daughters and Mr. Miller is a prosperous young farmer of the Lexington neighborhood. They will reside at his ranch home north of Lexington.

Death Camas Menace to Stock

A warning to farmers has been sent out from the O. A. C. calling attention to the danger to stock at this season from Death Camas which is said to be the least known but one of the most dangerous plants to stock. It is most dangerous at this season when in bloom and losses to sheep sometimes go as high as 50 per cent. The plant grows in Eastern and western Oregon ranging from low to high altitudes and prefers moist but not wet ground. It is said to be known to surprisingly few stockmen but may be easily recognized at flowering time by its cream white cluster of small white flowers. Children have been poisoned by this plant by mistaking it for the blue-flowered, edible camas. It has an onion-like bulb and all parts of the plant is poisonous.

D. J. L. Callaway, who has taken over Dr. Purkey's practice, returned from Portland Tuesday. He will assume his duties immediately.

Mrs. R. J. Vaughn has gone to Baker for a few days' visit with her parents and will be joined later by her husband, when they will go to Michigan for an extended visit with his relatives. They expect to remain in the east until August.

Homeguard Elects Officers

Permanent officers of the Morrow County Homeguard were elected at a meeting of the organization Monday evening, the following men being chosen: Adjutant, C. L. Sweek; Captain, Loy Turner; Lieutenant, Harry Duncan; Sergeant, E. R. Huston.

The members most active in the organization are anxious to make the guard a success in every sense of the word, but they feel that the citizens and business men of the town, in whose interest the guard has been organized, show small interest in the organization. Unless more active members are secured—sufficiently to bring the number who drill regularly up to at least 65—no aid can be received from the state, and if the organization is continued the burden will fall on the members who are active. Such a situation does not look fair to the men who are giving their time and energy to the public weal and the men hope the people of Heppner will show more interest in the future than they have in the past. Measures for khaki uniforms were taken Monday evening.

Armenian Relief Campaign

Dr. M. G. Pazian, one of the most prominent Armenians of the country will arrive in Heppner Saturday, June 15 and spend the following three days speaking in the interest of the Armenian Relief campaign which will then be in progress.

The Herald will carry a complete story of the Armenian situation in its issue of June 14 and also dates of meetings to be held in this county on the 16th, 17th and 18th. Watch for this story. It will be of gripping interest.

O. H. Free passes

O. H. Free, the well known Chinese gardner, who has peddled vegetables around the town of Heppner for many years, passed away at his house in the north part of town Sunday evening at the age of about 67 years. Free had been many years in America and was a good citizen of the community. He was well liked and respected by his customers and was a friend to everybody especially the children. What better obituary could be written? The funeral was held Monday afternoon interment being in the cemetery on the hill.

Willow Creek Community Organizes

At the picnic on Skinner's creek last Wednesday the people elected R. I. Thompson and I. E. Kousman to represent the farmers and Mrs. L. A. Florence to look after the boys and girls' club work for that section. These three will be members of the Heppner community committee which will be formed during this month. Other sections of the Heppner committee will elect their representatives and then a meeting of the entire committee will be held to complete the organization.

Girls' Conference Meets Here

A general conference of Eastern Oregon girls of the teen age will meet in Heppner this evening and continue through Saturday and Sunday. Girls from all parts of Eastern Oregon will be present and an interesting conference is expected. The different sessions will be held in the Christian church, the banquet in basement of Federated church. All girls in their teens are invited to attend the meetings.

TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE TOMORROW AFTERNOON

Get your smoked glass ready and arrange to take a short lay-off from business tomorrow afternoon about 4 o'clock, for at that time an interesting astronomical phenomena will take place which will be worthy of your attention.

Old Sol, king of the universe, will temporarily take a back seat in favor of Miss Luna, the moon, and the regular order of things will be somewhat jumbled. Darkness will come on, the chickens will go to roost and most people, whether they acknowledge it or not, will feel a sort of creepy sensation along the spinal column and around the roots of their hair.

Heppner is particularly favored by having a ring-side seat at this big celestial performance, being right in the middle of the zone of totality and, barring cloudy weather, we should get a fine exhibition. The time of total eclipse will be only about two minutes but the time required for the moon to pass across the face of the sun will be about 10 minutes. It is while the moon is approaching the sun and before reaching totality, and after passing from the total phase, that smoked glass will be needed to protect the eyes from the intense solar rays. Any piece of ordinary window glass held over the flame of a tallow candle until covered with smoke will answer, although some recommend the smoke from burning camphor gum as best.

The beauty of the total eclipse of the sun is due to the fact that the main body of the sun is surrounded by a layer of luminous gasses called the chromosphere, which has a rich red color and from which great "flames," or prominences, shoot out thousands of miles into space; besides this, and outside of it, is the great, irregular halo called the corona, which is of pale, silvery colored light. At ordinary times, these are invisible because of the dominating and blinding light of the sun itself.

Some of the bright neighboring stars and planets also become visible and add to the impressive nature of the sublime spectacle. The big show is also free, which is a welcome if unusual feature in these times of war and high prices, and the fact that the film is thrown on the limitless dome of space should be ample assurance of the bigness of the spectacle.

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Red Cross Report for May

BALANCE MAY 1		\$4255.36
RECEIPTS:		
Mrs. Haylor	\$	2.00
Mrs. Bengt		4.00
Geranium sale		380.00
June mds		74.96
Lexington mds		17.19
Annals		2.00
Mrs. Haylor		2.00
Mrs. Kelly, geranium from		2.00
Miss Gilman		2.00
Lena aux and services of Prof. Otto	270.50	764.65
Total		\$5017.01
PAID OUT:		
Relief vouchers		1522.88
Exp. vouchers		90.33
Civilian relief	50.00	1663.21
Balance June 1,		\$3853.80
General fund		\$ 902.51
Civilian relief		50.00
Relief fund		2395.04
Misc. fund		6.25
Respectfully submitted, MRS. A. M. PHELPS, Sec.		